REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	27 May 1998
Name of applicant/court:	Marie - Pauline Lompas
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	Untitled
Other Known Titles:	Swingers Delight Adult Contact Magazine - Photograph # 13
Director:	Not Applicable
Producer:	Not Applicable
Publisher:	Not Stated
Author:	Not Applicable
Format:	Photograph
Country of Origin:	New Zealand
Language:	Not Applicable

Components of film originally examined:

Feature: Not Applicable Running time:

Trailers: Running time:

Total Running time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

Classification Decision:

Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

Display Conditions:

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Either

That when the publication is on public display, the classification given to the publication must be shown on the publication; or any package in which the publication is kept
and
That the publication must be publicly displayed only in a sealed package
and
That where the publication is publicly displayed in a package, the package must be made of opaque material

Or

That when the publication is on public display, the classification given to the publication must be shown on the publication; or any package in which the publication is kept
and
That the publication must be publicly displayed only in premises, or a part of premises, set aside for the public display of restricted publications (whether or not articles other than restricted publications are also displayed in those premises or that part of those premises).

Or

That when the publication is on public display, the classification given to the publication must be shown on the publication; or any package in which the publication is kept
and
That the publication must not be publicly displayed in any place in which the publication is available for supply, and must be shown in that place only to persons making a direct request for the publication.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on Not Applicable

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The Classification Office classifies the untitled photograph known as *Swingers Delight Adult Contact Magazine - Photograph # 13* as:
Objectionable except if the availability of the publication is restricted to persons who have attained the age of 18 years.

The photograph shows a woman posing solo on what appears to be a bed. She is bending forward as if to touch her toes, with her underwear pulled to the side to reveal her buttocks, anus and part of her genitalia. The woman is dehumanised because her face is partially obscured and her buttocks and anus are focused on while she assumes a contorted, doubled-over position for the benefit of the camera. She is also degraded by the presentation of her as a sexual object for the arousal of the viewer. As a single image, the photograph contains no contextual factors to mitigate this effect. However, these degrading and dehumanising factors are not so high that the availability of the photograph would be likely to be injurious to the public good. A restriction to an adult audience is necessary due to the sexual intent of the photograph, and the degree of nudity.

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